Agency for the supply of books to Depressed Class Pupils.

168. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ.—കഴിഞ്ഞകൊല്ലം അധഃകൃത വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് പാഠപുസ്തകം കൊടുക്കുവാൻ ആരെയാണ് ഏല്പിച്ചിരുന്നത്; അവർ എന്തു കമ്മീഷൻ ശവമ്മെണ്ടാന്ന് കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ട്; ഇക്കൊല്ലം ആരെയാണ് ഏല്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളത്; അവർ എന്തു കമ്മീഷൻ കൊടുക്കുന്നുണ്ട്?

രാമവമ്മതമ്പുരാൻ.—കഴിഞ്ഞ കൊല്ലത്തിൽ അധഃകൃത വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് പാഠപുസ്തകങ്ങൾ കൊടുക്കുവാൻ ഹൈസ്കൂൾ ഹെഡ്മാസ്റ്റർമാരേയും ഹെഡ്മിസ്ട്രസ്സുമാരേയും മാനേജർമാരേയും മിസ്റ്റർ വി. യു. വൈദ്യരേയും ഏല്പിച്ചിരുന്നു. അവർ ശവമ്മെണ്ടാന്ന് യാതൊരു കമ്മീഷനും കൊടുത്തിട്ടില്ല. ഇക്കൊല്ലം ആരേയും ഏല്പിച്ചിട്ടില്ല. ഉത്തരം ആവശ്യമില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ.—കമ്മീഷൻ കൊടുത്തുകൊള്ളാമെന്നു സമ്മതിച്ച് ഇതിനുമുമ്പ് വല്ലവരോടും ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

രാമവമ്മതമ്പുരാൻ.—അങ്ങനെ ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ളതായി അറിവില്ല.

A missing man of Varavur village.

169. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether its attention has been drawn to an article in the Daily Edition of the Gomathi dated 20th Thulam regarding a missing Muhammedan of the Varavur village;

(b) has the Government conducted any inquiry into the matter and with what result;

(c) is it a fact that a Muhammedan of Varavur village is missing now;

(d) was there any complaint regarding this fact placed before the Vadakkancheri Police either in writing or by word of mouth?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes. There are no grounds so far to believe that any offence has been committed. The allegation that a dead body was found in a well is false.

(c) The whereabouts of a Muhammedan who recently returned from Penang to Varavur village are not definitely known. But his people seem to think that he may have gone back to Penang.

(d) No.

Handing over lands acquired for the Chengalore road to the P. W. Department.

170. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the lands acquired for the

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Chengalore Road in the Mukundapuram Taluk have been handed over to the Public Works Department; if so, when?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Yes. On 3rd Vrischigam 1108.

Appointments made and recommended by Mr. C. G. Herbert.

171. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table of the House a list of the names of persons not in the service of the Government, who were (a) appointed by or (b) recommended by (separately) Mr. C. G. Herbert, the Diwan of Cochin, after he took charge up-to-date, with the names of officers, the office to which each of them was appointed with their pay and their qualifications and the caste or class to which each of them belongs?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) and (b). Two lists containing all the available information are placed on the Council table. (*Appendix VIII*).

Provision of allotment for opening road from the Nurnee Vannamada and Kunnamkattupathy Anecut.

172. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether there was provision for opening a road from the Nurnee Vannamada road to the Kunnamkattupathy Anecut in 1107 budget;

(2) was the work done;

(3) if not, why was it abandoned and why it has not been provided for in the current year's budget;

(4) whether in view of the fact that this was omitted in the current year's budget, the Government will be pleased to do the work this year providing for the work in the revised budget?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.— (1) Yes.

(2) No.

(3) The allotment in 1107 budget was utilised for meeting the expenditure on account of more urgent works. Due to lack of funds it was not possible to provide for the work in the 1108 budget.

(4) Owing to financial stringency it may not be possible to provide for it in the revised budget of 1108.

The Shernally bridge work.

173. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) when was the Shernally bridge on the new Nelliampathy Ghat road completed;

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